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SUBJECT: ECS – SEEDING DATE EXTENSION FOR WARM SEASON GRASSES

Purpose: To provide information about authorizing seeding date extensions in 2005.

Expiration Date: July 30, 2005

The seeding deadline for conservation practices that plant warm season grasses is June 30th. This date is based on long term averages and may be extended by two weeks, based on both favorable moisture and temperature conditions for seed germination.

Due to the cool and wet conditions most of Minnesota has experienced this spring, the Area Resource Conservationists (ARC) is authorized to approve extensions for planting warm season grasses in their areas. Planting extensions can be authorized for up to two weeks (until July 15th) for specific plantings or entire counties, depending on local weather and soil moisture conditions.

Field staff will include a copy of the ARC's extension notification in each case file where a practice has a planting date outside the dates in the applicable NRCS practice standard.

Questions about this bulletin may be directed to Robin Martinek, State Agronomist at (651)602-7866.

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